

**REMARKS**


The present paper is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2003. In that Office Action, newly submitted claims 32-34 were deemed directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed in the Application. As such, claims 32-34 were withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention.

In response thereto, Applicant has cancelled claims 32-34. The claims now pending in the Application are allowed claims 1, 4-10, 13-21, and 24-31. A notice of allowability is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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